

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON

LORENE N. JOHNSON,

Plaintiff,

vs.

THE PRUDENTIAL INSURANCE  
COMPANY OF AMERICA, a foreign  
corporation,

Defendant.

Case No.: 2:17-CV-00408-MJP

**ORDER FOR *DE NOVO* REVIEW**

The parties have stipulated that, applicable to current Ninth Circuit law, and in recognition of the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals' decision in *Orzechowski v. Boeing Co. Non-Union Long-Term Disability Plan*, No. 14-55919, 2017 WL 1947883, \_\_ F.3d \_\_ (9th Cir. May 11, 2017), the applicable standard of review to be applied to Defendant's decision regarding Plaintiff's claim for long-term disability benefits in this ERISA matter is *de novo*.

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1           Therefore, the Court orders that the applicable standard of review to be applied to  
2 Defendant's decision regarding Plaintiff's claim for long-term disability benefits in this ERISA  
3 matter is *de novo*.

4           DONE this 20<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

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9           United States District Judge  
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